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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hiromasa SATO

Art Unit: 3765

Application No.: 10/685,527

Examiner: Moran, Katherine M.

Filed: 10/16/2003

Attorney Dkt. No.: 12010-0051

For: FACE MASK FOR DIVING

STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

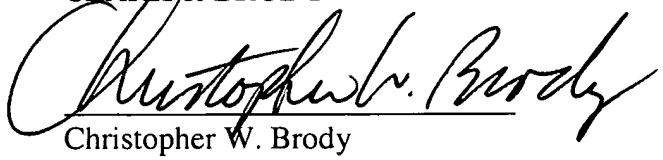
Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the status of the above-identified application, particularly, when we will receive a first Office Action on the merits. The last communication from The Office was the Notice of Publication dated April 29, 2004.

Please advise as to the current status of this application.

Applicants respectfully submit that there is no fee required for this submission, however, please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1088.

Respectfully submitted,
CLARK & BRODY



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